

Arizona AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Application Process for Patient Access to Fuzeon

The information below outlines the process that clinicians should follow if they have an HIV+ patient that is enrolled in ADAP and that they believe is appropriate and prepared to receive Fuzeon:

1. After reviewing ADAP's "***Guidelines for the Use of Enfuvirtide (Fuzeon)***", the clinician must complete and submit to ADAP the program's "***Arizona AIDS Drug Assistance Program Enfuvirtide (ENF, Fuzeon) Application***" form. This form must be completed **in its entirety** and according to instructions, and the following information/documents must be submitted to ADAP along with the application form:
 - A copy of the most recent viral load lab report;
 - A copy of the most recent CD4 lab report;
 - A copy of the most recent HIV resistance testing lab report; and,
 - A prescription for the Fuzeon, which will be forwarded to The Apothecary Shops, if application is approved.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED BY ADAP TO THE SUBMITTING CLINICIAN FOR COMPLETION

2. The clinician's signature on the ADAP application confirms that the information submitted is accurate and that they understand that The Apothecary Shops will ship the patient's supply of Fuzeon to their (the clinician's) office. The patient has the option of the supply of Fuzeon being mailed directly to their home after the first month, if the clinician feels that is appropriate. Patients should be told not to reuse needles or syringes, and be instructed in safe disposal procedures including the use of the sharps container for disposal of used needles and syringes. Patients must be instructed on the safe disposal of full containers as per local requirements. ADAP highly encourages that patients be instructed to return full sharps containers to the clinician/clinic for proper disposal.
3. The clinician also agrees to monitor the patient's use of Fuzeon, as well as the other drugs that comprise the medication regimen, on a regular basis. The clinician will assure that the patient understands and can manage the proper administration of this new medication, and that the patient understands the importance of and is committed to adhering to their medications in order to optimally benefit from the new regimen.
4. Once the completed application and required attachments are received, ADAP will review the application, and a letter approving or denying the patient's receipt of Fuzeon under ADAP will be sent to the requesting clinician and patient from ADAP, and the Fuzeon prescription forwarded to The Apothecary Shops. If you have any questions about the process of applying for a patient or about the medical appropriateness/eligibility criteria, please contact ADAP at (602) 364-3594 or (800) 334-1540 (in-state only).